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Serial No.: 10/627,141)	
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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR)	Confirmation No.: 4125
SCREENING OF HUMAN BORNA)	Our Ref.: TSRI 465.0 D2
DISEASE VIRUS)	

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 22, 2004, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group III (claims 12-15, 28-30, and 34) drawn to nucleic acids encoding a BDV p40 polypeptide and a host cell, classified in class 536, subclass 23.72. A five month extension of time is enclosed, thus making the present response a timely filing.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0962, should any additional fees be required in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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